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EAM May Join with KKE

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1. Many of the lower level leaders of the Communist Party, who escaped arrest in the recent mass arrests, have been heard to claim that the KKE was well aware that the arrests were scheduled, and had, in fact, provoked the Government into making the arrests for reasons which the KKE considered in its best interests. The line of argument is that, following the Strasbourg speech, the KKE was placed in a very difficult position since efforts were being made by various leaders of the Center and of the Left to reach a political solution which would have left the KKE in a very awkward situation.
2. Indications are that almost the entire EAM, as it is presently constituted, will throw its fate in together with the KKE. The ELD will apparently take a position in opposition both to the Government and to any "Free government".

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